



The Ohio State University Presentation

Connecting Alumni and Building Relationships across the State: Ohio-Japan Alumni Network

Purpose

OH-JAN connects alumni from K-16 Japan-related programs in Ohio (language study, internships and study abroad) with alumni of our own or other schools, educators, students, businesses and the community; members serve as mentors and advocate for careers using Japanese through email, video, webinar, or in-person interactions; supporting the 3,111 students in Japan-related programs at 41 K-16 institutions across the state (OSU Fall 2014: 392 students in 24 different classes).

Impact

Create the Network: Since 2013, established representatives for 11 of the 25 Ohio colleges with Japanese language programs that serve 2,251 students, more representatives sought in 2016.

Mentor: Since 2013, coordinated 22 alumni to visit colleges to talk about their experiences and advocate careers with a Japanese focus; created 12 videos by alumni posted on OH-JAN website.

Sustainability: Statewide event will be held in October 2015 that includes students, alumni and faculty for networking and sustainability of OH-JAN at each institution; online presence through LinkedIn and website.



OH-JAN 2015 Planning Meeting



University of Mount Union Presentation



Ohio State Colleges/Units Involved

East Asian Studies Center
Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures
Institute for Japanese Studies
Office of International Affairs
College of Arts and Sciences

Community Partners Involved

Antioch College
Bowling Green State University *
Case Western Reserve University
Cleveland State University
Columbus State Community College
Cuyahoga Community College
Denison University
John Carroll University
Kent State University *
Kenyon College
Miami University *
Oberlin College
Ohio Northern University
Ohio State University *
Ohio University *
Ohio Wesleyan University *
Otterbein University
Owens Community College
Sinclair Community College
University of Akron
University of Cincinnati *
University of Findlay *
University of Mount Union *
The University of Toledo *
Wittenberg University *
Wright State University
Xavier University

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